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Re: U.S. Patent Application Docket No. TPI-T200XC1
HIGH-THROUGHPUT FORMATION, IDENTIFICATION AND ANALYSIS
OF DIVERSE SOLID-FORMS
(Cima, Levinson, Lemmo, Galakatos, Putnam)
Serial No. 09/756,092; filed January 8, 2001

Attachments: Petition and Fee for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a)
Election Under 35 USC § 121§

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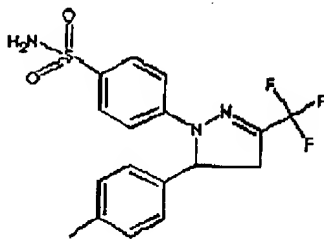
A Petition and Fee for a four-month Extension of Time through and including January 10, 2005 accompanies this Election.

In response to the written Restriction Requirement dated August 10, 2004 in the above-identified patent application, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the following:

- 1) as the species of small molecule pharmaceutical, Applicants elect celecoxib (4-[5-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl] benzenesulfonamide; 4-(1,1,1-trifluoromethyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)pyrazol-1-yl)- benzenesulfonamide, which has not evaded crystallization and is a known compound. The empirical formula for

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celecoxib is $C_{17}H_{14}F_3N_3O_2S$ and the molecular weight is 381.38. The specific structure for celecoxib is:



- 2) as the species of tubes, Applicants elect glass vials;
- 3) as the species of support plates or sample well plates, Applicants elect heating/cooling block (a support plate);
- 4) as the species of automated dispensing apparatus, Applicants elect a Tecan Genesis with septum piercing capability;
- 5) as the species of formulation software, Applicants elect Matlab software;
- 6) as the species of informatics, Applicants elect Microsoft Excel;
- 7) as the species of analysis, Applicants elect Raman spectroscopy;
- 8) as the species of array number, Applicants elect at least 96 samples wherein 0 subarrays are contained within said array;
- 9) as the species of solvent used for all samples, Applicants elect sodium hydroxide (NaOH);
- 10) as the species of sample difference, Applicants elect the amount of water between samples;
- 11) as the species of method for grouping, Applicants elect Raman spectroscopy;
- 12) as the species of grouping, Applicants elect samples with a single polymorph;
- 13) as the species of processing method, Applicants elect cooling;
- 14) as the species of sample amount, Applicants elect less than 100 μg ;
- 15) as the species of sample volume, Applicants elect 100 μl ;
- 16) as the species of components if present, Applicants elect a polymorphic form and sodium chloride (NaCl); in an aqueous solution as the additive;

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- 17) as the species of physical property screened, Applicants elect solubility;
- 18) as the species of structural property screened, Applicants elect particle size;
- 19) as the species of crystalline salt form, Applicants elect solvate.